

Workers' Compensation Oversight Panel
April 11, 2016

MINUTES

Location: Department of Labor Fox Valley Annex

Called to Order: 4:04 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Vincent Ascione, Jr., Barry Bakst, Douglas Briggs, Glenn Brown, James Downing, Harding Drane, Anthony Frabizzio, Joseph Rhoades, Theresa Smith, Wayne Smith, Joseph Straight, Joseph Williams, Patrice Gilliam-Johnson. **Administration:** Stephanie Parker, Oliver Cleary, Susan Justison (DOL); Alan Schwartz; OptumInsight (via telephone).

Record of Votes Taken:

1. Mr. Rhoades made a motion to approve the December 14, 2015 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
2. Mr. Rhoades made a motion to adopt the proposed amendment to the data collection wording of Title 19 Section 2322A(e) and recommend the Secretary of Labor. The motion was not seconded and was not approved.

Public Comment:

In Attendance: Eric Goldberg (AIA), Rebecca Kidner, PA, Oyango Snell (PCIAA), John Pedrick (DCRB), Donna Forrest, William Taylor (DCRB)

1. Eric Goldberg cautioned against usurping the regulatory authority of the Insurance Department and the Labor Department. Recommends having the WCRI do a "benchmark" study of Delaware.
2. John Pedric advised collecting, analyzing and formatting data takes time. Medical Call data is provided with a 6 month lag time and Rate Payer Data is provided with an 18 month lag time. DCRB does not collect data from TPA's.
3. Hardy Drane advised the Insurance Commissioners concern is there would be no restrictions on collection, use and protection of data collected.
4. Oyango Snell stated Delaware one of the slowest state to pay out medical claims which affects data collection. Asked for more conversation on a comparative analysis with other states through WCRI. Offered to bring in policy experts to find more efficient ways to collect and process data.

5. William Taylor commented that no good feedback on what the Panel would like to see or how it should be changed has been provided by the Panel. Progress being made in working with Allan Schwartz. Shared WCRI proposal with the Panel.
6. Donna Forrest suggested that standardizing the methodology will result in getting better data.

Adjourned: 6:00 p.m.

Future Panel Meeting Dates – DOL Fox Valley Annex:

None scheduled at this time

Future Subcommittee Meeting Dates:

Fee Schedule & Data Collection Sub-Committee

None scheduled at this time